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**METHOD OF IMPROVING** For:

> CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISH ENDPOINT SIGNALS BY USE OF

**CHEMICAL ADDITIVES** 

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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 30, 2006, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks.